

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
U.S. Application No. 09/933,828

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are all the claims pending in the application.

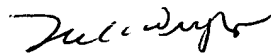
The abstract has been amended for clarification. It is respectfully submitted that Applicant's abstract fully complies with 37 C.F.R. §1.72(b) and MPEP §608.01(b) and it is requested that the objection to the Abstract be reconsidered and withdrawn.

Claim 1 has been amended for clarification. In view thereof, Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims are clear and definite as written and that they particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention and it is requested that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 be reconsidered and withdrawn.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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